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NEW STUDENTS ARE GREETED BY THE PRESIDENT — Dr. and Mrs. A. I. Thomas were joined by members of the administrative staff in the receiving line.

Enrollment Near 4000

Enrollment for the Fall Semester 1967-68 is close to the 4000

Student Body Integrated

An undetermined number of non-Negro students were among the total of first year students enrolling in September.

While the summer session has been well integrated for two or more years, this is the first year when an appreciable number of various racial groups have enrolled. It can be very truthfully stated that integration is now a reality at the college.

The largest number of white and other students come from San Antonio and other South Texas points.

mark according to Registrar, George R. Ragland.

It is reported that the number of freshman students is approximately 1500. The exact number of new students had not been determined at Press Time. The 1500 total includes some returning students classified as freshmen, based on credit hours earned.

The most unusual increase was of male students who now almost equal the total female population.

Housing of students has again become a major problem associated with increased enrollment. All campus housing is full and several students have been permitted to live off-campus.

Homecoming Set For November 4th

A committee of students are hard at work completing plans for the Pigskin Revue, a feature of the Homecoming program set for November 3, 4 and 5.

Other progress on the big event coming up soon includes the selection of Miss Homecoming. She is Mrs. Margaret Jackson Williams of Shepherd, Texas, a member of the Reunion Class of 1957.

All classes in the 7's will hold reunions this year going back to '07. A few members of the 1907 class are expected to be on hand for the homecoming celebration.

The three-day program will open with the usual bonfire Friday night, November 3, along with meetings of the Alumni Association. Breakfast dances are scheduled early Saturday, and the parade will start at the usual time and place.

The theme for the 1967 Home-

coming celebration is "New Prospectives In An Era of Progress."

Dr. E. W. Owens is chairman of the large planning group which includes fifteen sub-committees headed by student chairman and faculty co-chairman.

College Begins Self-Study Project

Administration officials, faculty and staff members have initiated a comprehensive self-study project which may cover a period of approximately 18 months.

The self-study is a requirement of the Southern Association of Colleges, and Schools, the major accrediting agency for Prairie View and all approved colleges and universities in the southern region. Member institutions are evaluated periodically and accreditation checked. The self-study is the method used by the Agency.

Dr. Gordon Sweet, a representative of the Southern Association spent the day recently on campus and outlined objectives of the self-study to administrators and faculty members. He discussed the Association's program and the self-study before the monthly meeting of the faculty and staff Tuesday evening.

Biologists to Meet at Univer. of Houston

Dr. T. P. Dooley, chairman of Region 6 of the committee on the Study of Undergraduate Biological Education, chaired the meeting of the committee held on October 19 at the University of Houston.

All sessions were held in the University Center building.

Miss PV Coronation Scheduled Nov. 1

The annual Coronation of Miss Prairie View has been set for November 1. The event is sponsored annually by the Women's Council.

Miss Nancy Bankston, a senior majoring in Medical Technology will be crowned Campus Queen by the President of the college. She is a native of San Antonio and a member of Kappa Omega Beta Social Club.

The Miss PV court includes Miss Valdalyne Fields of Houston and Miss Gwendolyn Armstrong of Miami, Florida.



NEW FACULTY MEMBERS — First Row - Theodis Shine, Mrs. L. C. Phillip, Miss Vera Rugely, Miss Carrie Robinson, Miss DeLois Gibson, Miss Marian Fishman, D. Trent and Dr. Robert Henry. Second Row - Thomas G. Pelham, Robert Caserio, Jr., Samuel Lindsay, Raymond Carreathers, Lorenzo Cole, Huey Beckman, Freddie Frazier, Joseph Berta and Kuthalam Thiagarajan. Third Row - Jon D. James, Marcellus Harmon, Barnes West, Henry M. Williams, William Warren, James Johnson, Capt. Edward Carter, and Lt. Col. Major Strum.

Dallas Alumni & Ex-Students



NOWLIN



J. D. FERGUSON



GEE

Officers of the Dallas-Prairie View Alumni and Ex-Students Association

PRESIDENT — William J. Nowlin (1955-64), head of the Science Department at Hamilton Park High School. Mr. Nowlin has also pursued graduate study at Southern Methodist, Texas Southern, University of Maryland and North Texas State. He is a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church and scientific organizations. He and his wife, Charlene, have a daughter and son.

VICE PRESIDENT — James D. Ferguson (1943), manager of a Dallas Housing Development, the John W. Rice and Eleanor Roosevelt Apartments — consisting of 348 units. Mr. Ferguson is a member of the Dallas Negro Chamber of Commerce, Idlewild Sound Club, Dallas Big Brothers and Apartment Managers Club. He is married to PV grad Margaret Ferguson, a Dallas Teacher and they have one daughter.

SECRETARY — Cleophus C. Gee (1946), social case worker for the Dallas Big Brothers of America, a United Fund Agency. Active in a number of civic and social organizations, Mr. Gee served as President and Regional Director of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity. He is a past Board member of the YMCA, a member of Dallas Negro Chamber of Commerce, Frontiers of America, Goals for Dallas Committee and others. He is married to the former Miss Sadye Dupree and they have one daughter.

TREASURER — Mrs. Edward Spann (1942), presently a housewife and mother of two children — Donald and Jacqueline. Mrs. Spann is a longtime member of the Dallas-Prairie View Club. She is an active church and community worker, a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

OTHER OFFICERS —

BUSINESS MANAGER — Caesar A. Roy

FINANCIAL SECRETARY — Mary Clark

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY — Bob Malone

PARLIAMENTARIAN — A. Maceo Johnson

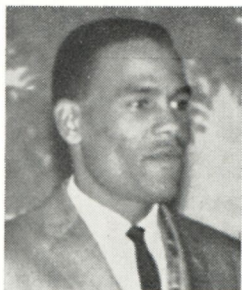
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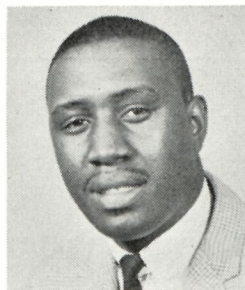
BUDGET DIRECTOR — George Lester

Officers of the Dallas-PV Junior Alumni and Ex-Students Club

PRESIDENT — Paul S. Thomas (1954-62), District Scout Executive, Ten Council, Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Thomas served two years in the Armed Services as instructor in chief in Puerto Rico and taught nine years before accepting his present position. He is a member of Kappa Alpha Pi Fraternity, President of PTA,



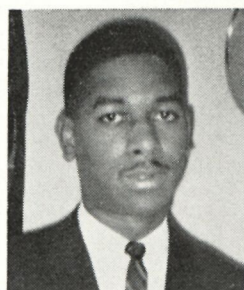
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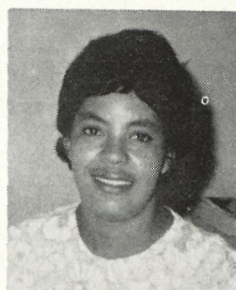
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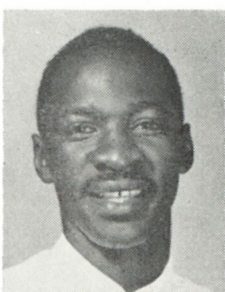
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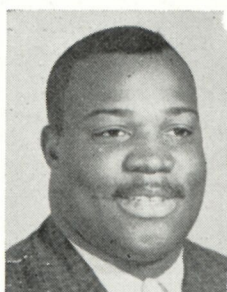
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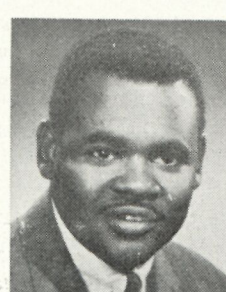
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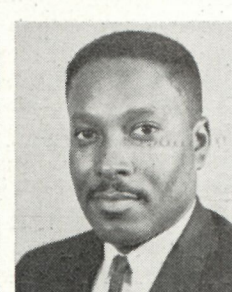
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MOSLEY



L. G. FERGUSON



BELL



RETURNS FROM AUSTRALIA — Dr. Thomas poses with Dr. Emiel Owens while discussing plans for his trip to Australia to attend an agricultural Conference. Dr. Owens returned this week from the two weeks trip which was financed by outside sources.



MRS. DE LOIS BROWN

PV Grad Receives MS in Nursing

Mrs. De Lois Metcalf Brown, a 1965 graduate in the School of Nursing received the Masters of Science Degree in Nursing at the University of Maryland.

A psychiatric nursing major and native of Houston, Mrs. Brown's thesis was on the subject, "Nursing Activities based on operant conditioning: Principles for the Improvement of Speech in Emotionally Disturbed Children."

Attendance Good at Leadership Institute In Dallas Oct. 13-14

It has been reported that attendance was good at the Leadership Conference sponsored by The General Alumni Association in Dallas on October 13-14.

Held at the Cabana Motel, the meeting had as its theme "Partners in Progress." President A. I. Thomas spoke to the group at a luncheon session Saturday.

Ag. Student Teachers Meet at Prairie View

As a followup of the many first that have come to Prairie View, the Agricultural Department was privileged to have the **Texas State Student Teachers Conference in Agricultural Education** here, Friday, September 29, and Saturday, September 30th. The conference was held in the ball room of the Memorial Center.

NOTICE

Please report the activities and accomplishments of our Alumni. Write to us what you are doing. We also would like to know of any Alumni Member who is not on our present mailing list. Write to Dr. E. W. Owens, Executive Secretary of the Prairie View and Ex-Students Association, in care of the College. Our Membership Drive for 1967-68 is now open.

Faculty and Staff Study Residential College Goals

"Socio-economic factors in educational change and implications for building a residential college" was the theme of the annual Faculty Orientation Conference held on September 7-9.

President A. I. Thomas and Dean C. L. Wilson addressed the opening session of the three-day conference. Dr. Thomas spoke on "The Prairie View concept of the residential college:

Visiting speakers included Dr. Robert R. Blake, President Scientific Methods, Incorporated, Houston; Dr. V. Don Boney, Professor of Education University of Houston and Dr. John E. Codwell, Associate director, Education Improvement Project, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Dr. Blake spoke on the topic — "The psychology and processes of organizational change" and Dr. Boney addressed the group on the subject, "Educational change and the small college".

A special visitor, Mrs. G. Boskin Richter, President of the organization of faculty wives at Rice University, was the Principal speaker at a meeting of Prairie View faculty wives. Mrs. A. I. Thomas directed the wives program.

The conference included panel discussions, question periods and several social events. A buffet luncheon for faculty members and wives was hosted by Dean C. L. Wilson. The President served as host at the faculty banquet; at which time Dr. Codwell spoke. Other social events included a faculty fun night and a picnic for faculty families.

Dr. Earl M. Lewis served as conference chairman.

member of the Board of "O. I. C. Industruscemen," Youth International Christian Education and officer and leader in several other religious and civic groups.

VICE PRESIDENT (and Membership Zone Chairman) — John W. Berry (1962), Department Manager for International Super Stores of the Linco Department Store Chain. Mr. Berry is active in many Dallas Organizations, including Dallas Jaycees', Masonic Lodge, YMCA, Boy Scouts (adviser), and St. John Baptist Church where he is treasurer of the Young Adult Fellowship and member of the Senior and Young Adult Choir. He is a member of Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity.

SECRETARY — Mrs. Dorothy Williams (1954), Elementary math teacher at N. W. Hailler School, Dallas. She is a member of New Jerusalem Inst. Baptist Church, classroom teachers of Dallas, NEA, Texas Teachers Association, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, Business and Professional Women's Guild of her church and the Thespian Urbanities Dramatic Club.

BUSINESS MANAGER — Thomas M. Kennedy (1962), Cost Accountant, Missiles Division, Ling, Temco, Vought Aerospace Corporation. A Business Administration graduate, Mr. Kennedy monitors and analyzes cost on government defense contracts. He is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Masonic Lodge No. 9 of Prince Hall Masons, Young Adult Fellowship and Church Choir of St. John Baptist Church.

TREASURER — Mrs. Anne Edwards (1955-63), Language Arts and Social Studies Teacher at George W. Carver Elementary School, Dallas. She is a member of Belhany Baptist Church, the classroom teachers of Dallas, NEA and Audio-Visual Club. She also participates in the Thespian Urbanities Dramatic Club, YWCA and A. C. E.



SPECIAL WELCOME TO SENATOR BARBARA JORDAN — Daniel Anderson, SGA president and Sammie Thompson, SGA vice president, greet Senator Barbara Jordan of Houston following her inspiring address before the freshman class. Senator Jordan is the first Negro Senator to serve in the Texas Legislature since Reconstruction.



MOTHERS HONORED — Mrs. Iris Thomas chats with the mothers of Student Government president, Daniel Anderson (left) and Miss Nancy Bankstotn, Miss Prairie View.

Houston Symphony to Perform at PV

The nationally famed Houston Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Andre Previn, will perform at Prairie View on October 31.

The performance is the first in a rich cultural series now being completed by the College Cultural Series Committee. The entire series is made

possible by a special grant to the College for this purpose. A complete schedule of artists and performers will be released soon.

Andre Previn, the conductor of the Houston Symphony will make an unprecedented appearance at the piano himself during the group's Prairie View performance.

Parents Attend Convocation For Freshman Week

A convocation for parents of freshman students was held Sunday, September 10 which served to launch a week-long orientation program for new students.

Hundreds of parents attended the session held in the Health and Physical Education Building. President A. I. Thomas addressed the group on the subject — "The Role of Parents in a Residential College".

Attended mostly by mothers, the visitors included the mothers of students leaders who received bouquets of flowers from Mrs. Thomas, wife of the President.

The Sunday program included discussions with academic deans and staff members of various schools.

Planning Set For New College Dining Hall

A Student-Faculty Advisory Committee has been appointed by President A. I. Thomas to begin planning for construction of a new, air conditioned dining hall.

The Committee is scheduled to meet next week.

According to Dr. Thomas, the new dining facilities will accommodate 5500 students. He has charged the advisory committee with the responsibility of developing complete plans for the new student facility.

Questions to be answered by the Committee include whether the new college dining hall should be a central unit or several dining areas established in connection with residence halls, where to locate construction, and the decision on cafeteria versus family style for service.

PARLIAMENTARIAN — Charles Garcia (1957), teacher and Coach at L. G. Pinkston High School. Mr. Garcia is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Y. M. C. A. and the National Education Association.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY — Miss Margaret Lewis (1966), Teacher in Dallas School System. She is a member of St. John Baptist church, NEA, YMCA, Secretary of Young Adult Fellowship and member of St. John Choir.

CHAPLAIN — Reverend William Hill (1961-64), Instructor, Job Corps, McKinney, Texas. Reverend Hill is Assistant Pastor at St. Paul Methodist Church of Dallas. He is a member of the YMCA and NEA.

SONG LEADER — Mrs. Kay F. Thomas (1954-59), Chairman, Music Department, Dunbar High School, Farris, Texas. She is a member of St. John Baptist Church, YMCA, NEA, Young Adult Church Choir and Delta Sorority.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

MEMBERSHIP — Stacy Mosley Jr. (1959), Industrial Arts Teacher and Chairman, Sarah Zumwalt Junior High School, Dallas, Texas. Mr. Mosley has taught at Prairie View and served three years as a platoon leader and executive officer in the U. S. Army. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge and Gee's Memorial Church.

PROGRAM — L. G. Ferguson (1960)

SPECIAL PROJECTS — H. B. Bell (1961), Chairman of English Department and Teacher. Mr. Bell is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, YMCA, National Council of Teachers of English, Dallas Classroom Teachers Association, and Bethel AME Church.

REPORTER — James Mosby



NAVAL ROTC — President Thomas and other college officials entertain representatives of the U. S. Navy Department during a recent visit to consider the college as a possible location for a Naval ROTC Unit. The Board of Directors of the Texas A&M University System approved the college's request for a unit at Prairie View.

Manpower Training Program Set to Begin in January, 1968

Dr. S. R. Collins, Dean of School of Industrial Education and Technology has announced that beginning in January 1968, Prairie View A. and M. College plans to begin operating skills training programs in nine industrial and technical areas for those citizens who live in the surrounding counties. Participants in the program will be made up of older youth and adults (age 18 and over) who are responsible for the welfare of their immediate families.

By way of personal contacts with the families of prospective participants in the program, it is hoped that unquestionable need will be established for all eligible persons. Citizens of the following counties may be eligible to participate in the program: Austin, Brazos, Burleson, Colorado, Fayette, Fort Bend, Grimes, Harris, Montgomery, San Jacinto, Waller and Washington.

Training in the following technical occupations will be offered: Auto Mechanics, Cooks (Hotel and Restaurant), Dry Cleaning and Pressing, Landscape Gardening, Meat Cutter, Office Occupations including: Clerk-Typist, Stenographer, Key Punch Operator, Computer and Programmer.

Prairie View Welcomes Certified Public Accountant

For the first time in the history of Prairie View A. & M. College, there is a certified public accountant serving on the Business Department staff

Mr. John Patterson graduated from New York University in the year 1945. He has previously taught at Seton Hall University in Newark, New Jersey for eight years, and the University of Houston for six years.

PV Grad Named ROTC Head in Ohio

Lt. Col. George R. Hovey Johnson, a 1950 PV graduate and native of Richmond, Virginia, has been named Professor of Military Science at Central State University in Wilberforce, Ohio.

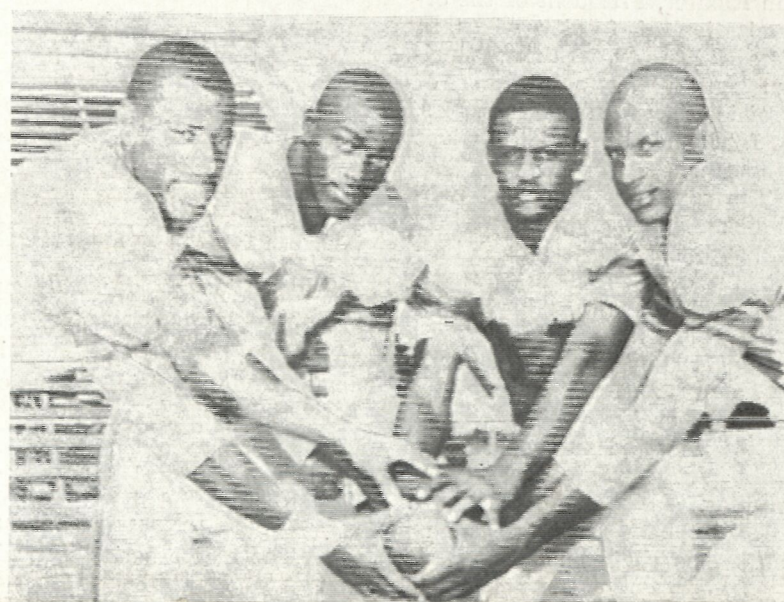
Panthers Drop Southern, Bishop; Lose to Jackson, Ark.

The Panthers dropped their first game of the season to a tough Jackson College (6-19), but pulled a tremendous upset in downing the highly rated Southern Jaguars 20-3 the following week-end.

Starting a long and hazardous road schedule, the local gridders, Coached by Hoover Wright and able assistants, made a good showing at Grambling but lost to the front running Tigers' 10-13.

Prairie View met Bishop College for the first time in the 43rd playing of the State Fair Classic and managed an easy 31-12 victory.

The remaining schedule is all off-campus other than Homecoming scheduled on November 4. The Panthers will play Allen University of Columbia, South Carolina on the big day and final home appearance of the year.



QUARTERBACKS — Panther signal callers are (L to R) - Gregory Dearion, Robert Shaw, Bivian Lee and Robert Hamilton.

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